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## NOTE AND COMMENT

Sir Charles Tupper is contributing to the Over-seas Edition of the Strand Magazine, a publication which promises to serve a very useful purpose, a series of valuable articles giving his reminiscences of public life in Canada. The concluding sentences of Sir Charles' article in the issue which has just arrived are of peculiar interest in view of recent developments at Ottawa. It is evident that they were written before the question of a loan to the G.T.P. arose. After describing certain events that transpired while he was on a visit to London in 1883, he writes: "Shortly after I had concluded, I received a cable from my colleague, the Hon. J. H. Pope, who was acting Minister of Railways, saying that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company was in trouble and asking me to come out. I found on reaching Canada that the hostility of rival railway interests in New York and London had closed both markets against them, and they were unable to proceed with the work. After thoroughly investigating the position, with the approval of the Government I proposed to parliament to grant the Company a loan of thirty million dollars for four years at four per cent. Mr. Blake, who strongly opposed the loan, said across the House, when I was speaking: 'Don't call it a loan; you know we will never get a dollar.' The loan was granted. Sir Donald Smith (now Lord Strathcona) drove the last spike in November, 1885, the line was open for traffic in the spring of 1886, five years before the contract required, and the loan was well repaid with interest, before it was due. When it is remembered that at the time that contract for the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway was made the line was located, did not interest any community of one hundred white men from Nipissing, in Ontario, to the shores of the Pacific Ocean, it is not strange that doubts as to the financial results should have been entertained."

The Grand Trunk Pacific is now due to face with a similar situation. It also has asked the Government to come to its assistance with a loan. But we find the position of the parties in respect to it the reverse of that which they assumed in 1883. So much for the "pretty promises" to which so frequent appeal is made to keep old-time promises in line.

As a matter of fact, the Government of 1909 is adopting the only course that is open to a body worthy of the responsibilities which have been cast upon it, just as that of 1883. The action which it is proposed to take is quite as imperative in this case as it was in the former. The only alternative is to let the new transcontinental Government undertake and we are not prepared to do. The present proposition involves nothing but the risk which that of a quarter of a century ago did. The faith of the Government of that day was not then justified. Do present conditions and prospects not indicate a much larger measure of confidence?

What the West have been seriously lacking in appreciation of the service which the government of the Dominion has done in opening up the country. The fact that the loan which they made bore heavily on the settler as time went on was responsible. The C.P.R. has undoubtedly given tremendous privileges, which it has not been able to take the full advantage of. But it has made large financial gains at the country's expense, and it is not to be forgotten that those gains showed a courage, which the majority of their contemporaries seemed mere foolhardiness. That took great risks in the hope of large future profits and if they had executed the latter, which it is now the duty of our public men to treat as far as is legally possible, they have only been doing what any other corporation of the kind would have done under the circumstances. It is easy enough

to be wise after the fact. What we should try to do in considering the action of the government of Sir John A. Macdonald is to place ourselves in the circumstances that it had to face. The line couldn't have been built if the administration hadn't offered the inducements that it did. That the country proved so much better than was anticipated and made the concessions given to the C. P. R. so much the more valuable should not in any way serve as a detriment to the reputation of the public men who negotiated the bargain. The main thing to consider is that Sir John A. Macdonald demonstrated at a turning point in Canadian history a faith in the country's future, without which there could have been nothing like the development which the years that have passed since then have brought. If Mr. Black's ideas had prevailed, it is open to doubt whether the Dominion as such would have had any future at all. It is the progress that the west has made that has brought it to the front on the world's stage, without this what would have become of the country?

The decision of Chief Justice Sifton in the appeal of Dr. Bechtel of Lille against the action of the Medical Council of Alberta is exactly what one would expect from a judge of his character. The public always admires a man on the Bench who is strong on principles of common sense and common fairness rather than on legal technicalities. In August last it was announced that as the result of an investigation held at Blairmore to consider certain charges brought against Dr. Bechtel by Dr. Westwood also of Lille, the discipline committee of the council recommended that the name of the former be erased from the register, the committee having found him guilty of the charges laid against him.

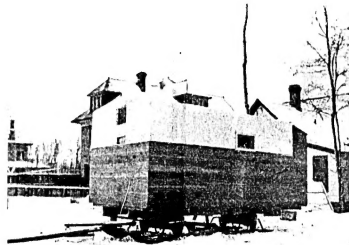
The text of the judgment gives the particulars.

"The evidence shows that Dr. Bechtel, then residing at Lille temporarily, having as he says, heard that there was some dissatisfaction among the miners at Coleman in regard to Dr. Westwood, communicated both verbally and in writing with one Michael Joyce, a miner previously known to him, in regard to his obtaining from Dr. Bechtel the recognition of the union at Coleman as its physician, and offered him some remuneration in case of success.

"There is considerable difference of opinion between Bechtel and Joyce about what actually took place, and the form or amount of remuneration, which does not appear to me to be material. The evidence discloses quite plainly that neither of them was actuated by a fine sense of honor, or perhaps a due appreciation of the rights of other people, but many people lack those qualities and are still allowed to earn a living in the community, and something much stronger would have to be shown before the legislature would authorize any body of men to say that Michael Joyce should not earn his living as a miner or Dr. Bechtel practice medicine.

"The section of the act referred to shows plainly to my mind that the unbecoming or improper conduct referred to is of the same nature, though perhaps not of the same degree as the criminal conduct mentioned in the same paragraph, and was intended primarily to deal with the relations of physicians with their patients, and their conduct as it might affect their patients (especially as criminal conduct as it affected other people was dealt with by the previous paragraph), and not for the purpose of regulating quarrels between physicians which might be grounds for civil actions in court, much less for the purpose of regulating and enforcing that somewhat elastic doctrine known as professional ethics. Even if the offence charged had been absolutely proved, and the statute was sufficiently wide to cover it, the punishment would have been an outrage. Six months' suspension, which Dr. Bechtel has already suffered, would have been ample to meet the case, but for the reasons given, I am of opinion that the judgment was not warranted, either by the evidence or the law, and therefore order that the name of D. J. Bechtel be again placed upon the roll of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta. The costs of the proceedings will be paid to the appellant by the respondents."

## The Return of the Caboose to the North



The "Caboose" en route



An Interior View



Mr. W. F. Bredin

The car in which Mr. W. F. Bredin, member for Athabasca in the last legislature, and Mrs. Bredin, travelled overland from their home at Lesser Slave Lake to Edmonton, a distance of three hundred miles, to be present at this winter's session of the House, awakened much interest. Following polling day, near the end of March, they started on the return trip. The election in Athabasca has been deferred till early summer and it is generally taken for granted that Mr. Bredin will be again the member for this vast northern constituency. The large painting of Hon. Frank Oliver, which is to be seen in the caboose, indicates the politics of the owner of the equipage.

The effect of the Chief Justice's decision should be salutary. In all parts of the Dominion medical councils have exerted their authority from time to time in a most arbitrary and unreasonable fashion. That in Dr. Bechtel's case the Alberta body should have taken the action that it did must make the average man feel that the members have larger powers than in the public interests, they can safely be trusted with. The privileges in the regulation of their respective professions which it has been the habit to accord doctors and lawyers are by many regarded as out of keeping with the spirit of our institutions in general. The idea that they should be curtailed is each year becoming stronger and in view of the circumstance those who wish them retained would be wise to see that they are not abused. As between these two professions, it must be said that the lawyers, both in matters of general administration and in their relations as individual practitioners, set up an example

which the medical men might well profit by.

President Taft created a genuine sensation by the brevity of his first message to Congress. After the extra verbosity of his predecessor, it came as a great relief. A few days after its delivery, the graduates of Yale university held a banquet in New York to celebrate the succession of the first son of Yale to the post of the nation's chief executive. In the course of his speech President Hadley made these observations:

Now what did the President of to-day, what did the Bill Taft of thirty years ago learn at Yale that helped him? In the first place he learned to avoid nonsense. The best advertisement that the department of English composition at Yale ever received was the message sent to Congress by the President last Monday.

I look back and seem to see the placid figure of young Taft reading a twenty page composition to the almost equally placid Prof. Cyrus Northrop.

The reading is done. The comment begins.

"Was there anything in the first nineteen pages that was not either expressed or implied in the twentieth?"

"No, sir."

"Then leave out the first nineteen and begin with the twentieth."

The country rings with applause for the man who says what he has to say—who neither begins before he is ready nor keeps on after he has finished.

It's a pity more of our public men didn't come under the tutelage of a Prof. Northrop. Think what a saving to Canada there would have been if George E. Foster had had a course under him! The waste of time and patience that long-winded aspirants for public favor cause is appalling.

In Saskatchewan where the matter of a site for the Provincial University was left to the Board of Governors, Saskatoon has won out over Regina. Both in respect to the choice of the seat of the government and of the location of the university, the government of the sister province has taken a different course from that of Alberta. In the first case, it assumed responsibility for the selection. In Alberta the government as such delegated the task to the members of the legislature. In the second case Saskatchewan let the governing body it had appointed fight it out, while the Alberta cabinet reached a decision before any steps towards university organization were taken. But the plan duty of the Premier and his colleagues in all four instances was to decide the matter themselves. There was no excuse for shirking the taking of a definite stand on a large question of policy, even though their doing so did bring about unwelcome political complications. To the unprejudiced outsider Saskatoon always looked like a better place for both capital and university than Regina, but the former having been located where it was, the proper location for the latter was alongside it.

## An Imperial Visitor

A. J. Dawson, the organizer and editor of the Standard of Empire will address the Canadian Club of Edmonton on Monday next, April 19th, in Dodge's cafe. Since landing in Canada about 10 days ago Mr. Dawson has been kept pretty busy. He first addressed a big Board of Trade luncheon in Halifax and the next day a Canadian Club luncheon at St. John. On April 5th he was the guest of the Canadian Club of Montreal. He is speaking in Winnipeg and then comes to Edmonton.

Mr. Dawson was first here in 1907 as the guest of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy. He became very enthusiastic over the land, and after going back to England he made arrangements for the publishing of matter relative to the country. In the spring of 1908 he came through again and when he went back the new paper, the Standard of Empire, was started. This paper is now the organ of the Empire, for as the Englishman, when in trouble, usually writes to the Times, the man in any of the large cities or capitals of the Empire writes to the Standard of Empire, which paper is very liberal in giving publicity to Canada or matters Canadian.

Mr. Dawson is also one of the committee which is organizing an Imperial Press conference, to be called in London in June. He will meet representatives from Australia and New Zealand at Vancouver, after leaving here. Our visitor is also the author of several books, the chief being "The Message," which has already been through four editions. It is said that the play, "The Englishman's Home," which has so stirred Great Britain, is a dramatization of his work, for the subject of the book is the invasion of England by Germany.

## JASPER'S NOTE BOOK

A Weekly Tale of Two Cities

April has seen an increase of building activity which leads one to believe that the season of 1909 will make good all that has been promised of it. The trend to the west along Jasper Avenue becomes more and more unmistakable. At the northwest corner of Jasper and Seventh work has been begun on a \$35,000 store and office building for Dr. J. D. McLean. Diagonally across the street will be another large block. Between Fifth and Sixth on the north side excavation is completed for Mr. John Kelly's structure, while several others of large dimensions will be close at hand. The contract will be awarded shortly for the \$100,000 building to be put up by McDougall church on its magnificent site overlooking the valley. This will be the most striking object on the Edmonton skyline, with the exception of the Parliament buildings. Masonry work on the latter will commence at an early date and Premier Rutherford stated the other day that he believed the work would be completed by the end of 1910. A \$25,000 convent alongside the Church of the Immaculate Conception on Kinsington is another large enterprise that will be pushed through this year. A dispatch from Winnipeg indicates that in 1910 the C.N.R. will erect a hotel in Edmonton.

There is every reason to believe that one of Edmonton's most pressing needs, a public library, will be supplied before long with the aid of Mr. Carreggie. Mr. E. L. Hall, who has recently become public school inspector with headquarters in Strathcona, has had a large experience in library matters and is proving of great assistance to the committee having the project in hand.

Attention is being directed to the country north of Edmonton to an unusual extent this season. The opening of the Alberta and Great Western Co. in the city and the promise that the project will be rapidly pushed forward is, of course, largely responsible. That the C.N.R. will make the extension from Morinville to Athabasca Landing one of the first lines in their Alberta railway policy may be taken for granted. A party of surveyors is already at work on the route. Every week large and important prospecting parties leave the city for the north. One at the end of last week included several prominent Minnesapoles and St. Louis citizens. British Columbia, owing to the influx of people in the Peace River district, has found it necessary to appoint an agent, Mr. F. C. Campbell, who will be stationed at Fort St. John and act as gold commissioner, land agent, magistrate, etc.

The street railway service is improving steadily week by week. With four additional cars and the power system complete, it is expected that about May 1st something like an adequate schedule will be possible.

The first break has taken place in the staff of the University of Alberta, Mr. L. H. Alexander, professor of modern languages, finding it necessary to resign and return east, owing to the state of his wife's health.

Historic Edmonton is gradually disappearing. The city's first brewery, beyond the Hudson's Bay fort, which fell a victim to the flames last week, wasn't known to many new-comers but in its day it was one of embryo city's important institutions.

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 And you haven't any cold—  
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 Being worn and frayed and old—  
 When no awful plans for cleaning  
 Pile upon your troubled ear  
 When you do not think of moving  
 For at least another year—  
 When no cottages suburban  
 To mosquito swamps entice,  
 When no bargain sales are offered  
 At a low and tempting price,  
 When your bank account is swelling  
 Minus drain for anything  
 When you have that rested feeling  
 You may know it isn't Spring.

The doctors in this vicinity are  
 having an interesting time discuss-  
 ing the pros and cons of a hospital  
 policy. It is a great profession to  
 which we common mortals owe a  
 great deal. When we are ill we  
 rush to our medical friend in a  
 panic, but, after we recover from a  
 severe illness we are usually very  
 willing to put off the paying of the  
 doctor's bill as long as possible.  
 This is a sample of human gratitude.  
 Still the doctors sometimes tell se-  
 vere stories upon themselves, not-  
 ably that one told by a doctor who  
 was held up by a highwayman, the  
 latter demanding of the doctor  
 peremptorily "Your money or your  
 life." The doctor declares that he  
 sweetly replied, as he handed over  
 his purse, "You are really very kind  
 for I usually take both."

The golf season has commenced and  
 some enthusiasts are stretching their  
 muscles on the links. No doubt  
 this season will see added devotees  
 to the fascinating sport, that are  
 now pilgrims in the art.

This reminds us that novices do  
 not always at once take in the true  
 beauties of the game which requires  
 some learning, vide the experience

of a wealthy Scotch gentleman who  
 had engaged a new man servant.  
 Thinking he would make use of his  
 new man he took him out to the  
 links one afternoon to carry the  
 spare clubs. Dropping his ball the  
 gentleman proceeded to square off  
 for a trial drive, the new caddy  
 standing mutely gazing at what was  
 going to happen. The player braced  
 himself then swung vigorously at  
 the ball, but all that happened was  
 that the landscape was obscured by  
 a cloud of brown loam and bits of  
 grass. The player braced himself  
 still harder for another vigorous  
 crack at the ball, the result the  
 same, for he only succeeded in mak-  
 ing the first hole in the turf larger  
 than before. Again he swung at  
 that ball, the caddy standing mutely  
 by. After the third vigorous  
 stroke, which only transferred some  
 more loam from one part of the  
 hemisphere to another, the caddy  
 opened his mouth slowly and thus  
 he spoke: "It's gran', mon it's  
 gran'; but what's the wee ba' for?"

Mr. Punch's advice to those about  
 to marry, which advice is really  
 ancient and has become disregarded,  
 was always "Don't." Still when we  
 pick up our papers nowadays we  
 find all sorts of forms of coercion  
 formulated for those who do not  
 wish to or cannot afford to marry.  
 The wily old bachelor sizes up the  
 bad cases that he knows of and  
 walks round the proposition like a  
 cayuse steering around a prickly  
 pear patch, and if there's a rattler  
 in the middle, he snorts and passes  
 on. It's so easy to get married and  
 so easy to give good advice to  
 others and there are so many ways  
 of being unhappy. But is mari-  
 mony always such bliss that we  
 should all be dumped into it like a  
 bushel or two of peas into a bag,  
 whether we wish it or no.

It's those that are in that so an-  
 xious to pull the rest of us after  
 them.  
 In the Old Country they were  
 chasing a fox, the field careering  
 wildly on behind the hounds. The  
 country was the Cotswold  
 region where stone quarries are  
 numerous beside the roads, the top  
 of the quarry usually fenced with  
 a rough stone wall. So the quarry  
 is often invisible to horse and man  
 galloping towards it. On the day  
 that we are thinking of, a certain  
 noble lord and a country gentleman  
 jumped over the wall then dropped  
 into the quarry below. The quarry  
 was deep, both horses were killed  
 or so hurt they could not get up.  
 The men were jarred but could still  
 talk so one of them began to shout  
 to prevent others jumping into the  
 same place, but the noble lord, who  
 was fond of a joke, reproved his  
 friend, saying, "Shut up, you fool,  
 they'll all be in directly."

It looks like the same spirit which  
 prompts those in matrimony to try  
 and pull the rest of us in after.

Talking of matrimony and the  
 optimism or pessimism that may ac-  
 company the function Alberta has  
 produced cases of both. In early  
 days there were few white women in  
 Alberta and the first wedding that  
 took place near the southern bound-  
 ary of the Province was really  
 optimistic. The couple were in  
 such a hurry, that, though neither  
 owned anything but just what he  
 or she stood up in, they borrowed a  
 tent, a stove, some bedding and  
 some grub, got married, pitched the  
 tent, lighted the fire, cooked supper  
 and lived happily ever after.  
 The optimistic philosopher says  
 "Optimism is a good asset if it isn't  
 overdone."

Attorney, much baffled by the  
 answers of an Irish witness: "Well  
 you're a nice sort of a fellow, you  
 are."

"To which is a man most closely  
 related," said the genealogist, "his  
 first divorced wife's second husband  
 or his present wife's first divorced  
 husband?"

"So far as I can see one tie is  
 about as close as the other," said a  
 thoughtful friend.

"So I should say," said the genea-  
 logist, "but Jimmy Judson must  
 have figured out a difference. Any-  
 how, when his first wife's second  
 husband died Jimmy went to a ball  
 game, but when his present wife's  
 first husband died he went into  
 mourning. I can't understand that."

"I can," said the thoughtful  
 friend. "Jimmy's present wife  
 was on the point of divorcing him  
 so she could remarry her first hus-  
 band. Now that he is dead she has  
 decided to stick to Jimmy."

"Ah," said the genealogist, "I  
 understand now."—New York  
 Times.

"You have been married three  
 years now, I believe?"

"Three years in June."

"Anything running around the  
 house yet?"

"Nothing but the fence."—Town  
 Topics, Winnipeg.

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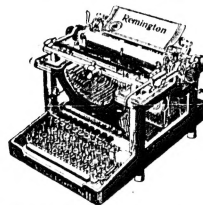
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See the \$30 hats With their wings And all sorts of flying things

But balloons and kites and humbly-bobs and hats! How they look around and away,

Every way! How their happy wearers swing them to and fro,

So that all the world may know That they're new.

With their ribbons, ribbons, ribbons, by the rod and by the mile, With their piles of gaudy flowers

bunched in every sort of style, How they do Get up hats!

Some look like old baskets, some resemble frowzy mats—But they're hats, Easter hats!

And they're coming forth from mansions and from hovels and from flats.

Costly hats, Home-made hats! Oh, the pride that's beaming under All the hats, hats, hats.

All the cheap and splendid hats! Oh the glory of the pagan of the hats!

A MERE MANS' VIEW.

He delivered himself on the matter much as I give it to you. The subject was Spring hats, Easter hats.

"How do I like the Spring hats? snort—how 'o I like all the Old Nick? Well, and you want the truth of it, I'll tell you frankly. I think

then got tired of her and dropped her, was a lie. He always drew the line at kissing, and that was all that happened in the case of Mrs. Blank."

Commenting on which evidence counsel referred, in severe terms to Surgeon—"a attitude. His position was this: "I kiss anybody I like, and I take anybody in my arms that I fancy. I give no thoughts to the husband. That is the sort of man I am, and everybody is as bad as my self." That was in substance, the figure that man cut before them on Saturday. The jury should not hesitate to consider whether he took advantage of opportunity."

Almost the brazenness of this disgusting apology for a man, is beyond belief, were it not that cases only too suggestively similar exist in our very midst.

There is a certain age when a certain class of young men imagines himself "it." This is about the period when he has travelled as far as Westsaskatoon, and has had "a perfect gale of a time." Listen to him tell of it. "Smoked two boxes of cigarettes while waiting for the train to pull in, flirted desperately with a little girl in blue, sat up till eleven p.m." On the naughty thing!

To the world who amount to something this dead game sport, this fledgling who gets intoxicated on half a glass of champagne, probably "champaigne cider," this youth who brags of having kissed Polly Ann, an immature domestic, and of another little affair with her mistress, "who kisses but to tell of it, and tells of what never was or ever would be, this man is known as a cheap sport, a flapper. In later years he develops into the type we are all familiar with, that unmentionable being who struts about declaring that all women are without virtue because he himself is possessed of none. Such a number of God's good earth is beneath the contempt of anyone, and yet I have an idea that a public horse-whipping every little while,

## Young Albertans No. 3



Evelyn Dougherty of Isabella St., Aged 14 months.

they're the devil. The worst examples of extravagant fancy gone mad I ever saw, hideous in design and monstrous in execution. They compel the male observer to sigh for the atrocities of the Merry Widow. Those seemed evilly undecorous, but fashion has brought us night-mares that we not of. These pot-like effects and inverted baskets covered with grapes and plants and creeping things seemed to have been derived from the Inferno. Positively they make their wearers look like gar-goyles."

From the way he said this, I gathered incidentally, my dears, that he didn't like the gar-goyles.

"Why decent, comely gentlemen permit themselves to wear such things, is more than I can fathom. A sensible man does not change the block of his silk hat from year to year, nor the cut of his morning coat, then why can't women use as much horse-sense."

"It seemed fast Fall that the milliners had done their worst. They have shown this Spring, however, that their devilish ingenuity surpasses the imagination of the male mortal."

"I am not fond of perusing such tales, but glancing over an over-sees edition of one of the great London dailies, the following caught my eye.

"In cross-examination Dr. —, a noted surgeon, admitted he had kissed Mrs. Blank. He had told a good many married women that he loved them, and he had sometimes kissed them. He might have taken Mrs. Blank in his arms and kissed her; if so he did wrong. The suggestion that he got possession of Mrs. Blank,

would be a fine object lesson to little flappers sprouting wings.

Talking of a certain monstrosity which defiles the Capital with his presence, a woman said to me recently: "That make-believe of a man positively makes me shudder when I see him, knowing what is common property about town it amazes me that no man has up to date thrashed him publicly."

May one express the hope that the day is coming when such evidence as this distinguished advertisement of the medical profession, dared to give in open court, will be punishable with a few weeks pause in the stocks, with a public thrashing to boot.

Almost I am at present persuaded, the law is not gaining in either dignity or sense.

Incidentally I have been reading some more criticisms of "Salome" as she is danced by the Mary Gardens and Maud Allans with one loud and assured the press that their sennuious performances are given with the sole motive of elevating the public taste. I am well aware that there may be a great difference of opinion in the matter. It is the old question after all of indecency and immorality as to plays all over again. It is a subject well high as old as the drama, a subject upon which it seems unlikely that there will ever be a general agreement. What seems immoral and vicious to one man will often seem to another to be the embodiment of a wholesome lesson. One party has long contended and doubtless will continue to contend that no subject is fit for discussion on the stage that deals with things not commonly discussed between gentlemen and gentlewomen in private life. Another party holds that no subject is to be ruled off the stage provided its treatment is artistic. Art is for this party the god whose worship in any form is to be commended.

There is certainly room for honest division of opinion within the limits

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# IN THE ATHLETIC WORLD



The annual general meeting of the Edmonton Athletic Club was held at the Windsor Hotel on April 13th, at 8.15 p.m. W. Richardson, Esq., in the chair.

The following officers were elected: Patrons, Hon. F. Oliver, Hon. A. C. Rutherford, Hon. C. W. Cross, Hon. Finlay, A. F. Ewing, Esq., D. Hyndman, Esq., Hon. President, Richard Second, Esq., W. Richardson, Esq.; 1st vice pres., E. C. Pardee, Esq.; 2nd vice pres., Rev. A. W. Sale; captain, G. P. Herreshaw; vice captain, C. Bowman; hon. sec. treas., J. Weaver; committee, R. D. Tighe, H. Branton, H. T. Mountfield, W. W. Howe, Captain Worsley.

The annual subscription was fixed at \$5, payable in advance.

Moved by H. Branton, seconded by E. H. Simpson, "that no one be allowed the privilege of the club unless he be a member in good standing on June 1st."

Moved by E. Simpson, seconded by H. W. Howe, "that applicants for membership be required to pay their subscription before election."

The hon. sec. was instructed to make arrangements for a ground and to communicate with the secretaries of the following clubs: Y.M.C.A., All Saints, St. George's, Edmonton Golf Club, St. Paul's C.C., with reference to the formation of a city league.

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The tennis season was opened at Edmonton Friday of last week and there is talk of several tournaments being made as the game is gaining in popularity. The Presbyterians have two courts, the East End Club two, the Baptists, besides which there are many private courts. Play at the Edmonton tennis club was in full swing on Good Friday.

A meeting of the Alberta Lacrosse Association was held at Calgary on April 10th. Dr. Stanley of High River was in the chair. Mr. Alan McDermott of Calgary was appointed organizer of the senior league, this to consist of the teams from Calgary, Strathcona and Edmonton.

The intermediate will be formed into three districts, northern, central and southern. The southern will probably consist of Macleod, Lethbridge and Raymond; the central, Calgary, High River and Kinross; the northern, Lacrosse, Edmonton and Red Deer. At a meeting of the association to be called later the schedule will be drawn up and officers elected.

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Frank Nelson, the sporting editor of the Toronto Globe, evidently knows what he is talking about. The day before the Marathon race in New York he wrote:

"They are quoting Longboat at 8 to 5 in the Marathon Derby prices reported from New York," said a well informed follower of the distance runner yesterday. A man really ought to get three to one about the chances of Longboat finishing at all, let alone his winning. He was a long way from the right condition for a winner when he left here. Last week he was easily beaten in the runs out to the Ocean House. That is a good thing, of course, but Longboat could not hold Percy Sollen, or Red Hawk at all, and when he came home he was blowing in a wind that showed him wind was all wrong. On the way back in one of these jaunts, he tried two or three times to go by Jackson, but when the other red man leapt a link Tom could only win with him for about sixty yards. Red Hawk beat him home about a minute, and Longboat coughed and blew like a porcupine. He had too long a let-up and I don't look to see him finish on Saturday. That race will make him or break him. He will either realize that he has got to get into business, or else he will be so discouraged that his racing career will end. In right condition he can beat those fellows at that distance, but a man can't get right, not even a freak like him, the way he has gone about it this time. He has run only one race since the beginning of the year, and was lucky to win that."

St. Yves, the winner, was a waiter in a London restaurant a year ago without a dollar. Falling a victim to the Marathon fever, he took up running and quickly demonstrated that he possessed sterling qualities. Al Copland, Princeton's athletic trainer, heard of St. Yves a few weeks ago and brought him to this country, but as nobody had seen him in action and as Copland prepared him for the Derby in comparative seclusion at Princeton he did not receive serious consideration by the general sporting public in calculating the respective merits of the six starters.

In appearance St. Yves is not a runner. He is short in stature, built like a wrestler, with powerful legs, broad shoulders, deep muscular arms. His hair is light and his small muscles do not hide an excellent set of teeth. But regardless of his appearance St. Yves showed the big crowd at the Brush Stadium, yesterday, that when it comes to speed and endurance there is not a Marathon runner, professional or amateur, on the face of the earth that could have taken his measure in the form that he displayed.

## CORRESPONDENCE

### THE CANADIAN CLUB.

Editor Saturday News.

Sir, In your issue of last Saturday you conclude that it is strange that after the two parties at Ottawa came to a perfect agreement in the matter of naval defence, the Canadian Club of Edmonton should be so "poorly advised" as to pass a resolution suggesting that "Canada should enter a battle ship to the British navy." I seconded the resolution in question and may be permitted to offer a few observations on the point.

To my mind we may ask ourselves three questions (1) Is the maintenance of British naval supremacy necessary or desirable from the Canadian point of view? If we answer this question in the affirmative then (2) Is British naval supremacy endurable? There does not seem to be any name of doubt at that point in as much as the British ship building program for the year has been doubled and may still be increased. If the maintenance of British naval supremacy is desirable and necessary to Canada, I submit that that fact establishes an obligation on the part of Canada to assist in the maintenance of that naval supremacy. If that supremacy is seriously endangered (3) What can Canada do to assist the British navy? The question would not seem to be considered more seriously. Training ships, coast defence vessels, submarines, torpedo boats and docks are not the kind of things that should be provided, not because of a temporary excitement, but as a matter of deliberate policy and settled conviction. In its reasonable policy, the leaders of the opposition are in the wrong, though they were more in favor of prompt, definite action."

and kindred questions from that point of view.

Yours truly,  
W. A. Griesbach,  
Edmonton, April 12, 1909.

Editor,—"We are very pleased to publish Mr. Griesbach's letter, the subject matter of which, we think, is answered by our editorial of last week. The question would not seem to be one of loyalty, but rather one of method of carrying out a programme. The following extract from the Courier indicates, we think, sets forth the stand taken by both parties in the House.

"In this address in the House last Monday, Sir Wilfrid Laurier took the same stand and sober position. The program for Canada which he outlined was based on reason and calm judgment, absolutely uninfluenced by the hostile outbursts of the feverish monomaniacs. He admitted the rights and obligations which rest upon Canada as a daughter nation. He admitted that it was our duty to provide for defence by land and sea. While the expenditure for land defence has been trebled in a few years, the question for sea defence was one which should properly be considered more seriously. Training ships, coast defence vessels, submarines, torpedo boats and docks are not the kind of things that should be provided, not because of a temporary excitement, but as a matter of deliberate policy and settled conviction. In its reasonable policy, the leaders of the opposition are in the wrong, though they were more in favor of prompt, definite action."

### At the Empire Next Week.

Mirth and music will predominate at the Empire Theatre next week, commencing Monday April 19th. Large crowds have turned out night after night for this week but it is expected that next week's offering will set a new mark in the matter of attendance.

Leading the bill, Mack Elliott and Co. have a screaming comedy sketch, "The New Minister." This sketch is known all over the larger circuits as being one of the lightest and most attractive playlets ever produced on the vaudeville stage, and will certainly make a big hit with Edmontonians.

Angela May, the girl with the sweet contralto voice, is one of America's leading comic opera stars and assisted by J. Louis McAvoy, in their comedy playlet, "A Baby Grand" she will, in addition to question become a warm favorite with local theatre patrons. The Vancouver Daily Province speaks very highly of the whole affair. The following is a synopsis: "Fashionable society and distinguished visitors are all agog over the coming performance to-morrow night of the famous young comic opera singer, Angela May, at the Hotel Vancouver. Her performances are so unlike anything of the ordinary kind, in the world of music, and her methods so original that Angela May has ever been, since her first appearance, a musical treat, and come opera favorite of the very different kind, in New York city and everywhere has she appeared."

A boat load from Victoria, where Angela May was recently have secured for resumption of her tour. Thursday night, and still another wire requests that she remain in Vancouver for the reception to the Japanese prince Fushimi in appearance before the Highness. The seat sale so far for Thursday night has broken all records, and Mr. F. M. Cummings is at his wit's end to provide for the rush. Perhaps the coolest person of all in the matter is the young and honored artist herself. She is too natural, too artistically simple, to have her head in a whirl by worldly lights and finds pleasure in giving pleasure to others, a truly remarkable girl from the usual worldly stage favorite. No wonder that her simplicity and genuineness of character, coupled with a rare contralto voice of touching sympathy, have reached the hearts of her hearers, and won them."

"Kipp" the German cartoonist and monologist is about the funniest thing that ever came out of the gutter. Some of his jokes are old, but he is new and gets the laughs. His cartoons are executed with lightning rapidity, and all around him is considered one of the cleverest in his line in the business to-day.

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## THE LIQUOR LICENSE ORDINANCE

Applications for Renewals of Liquor Licenses

The following applications for licenses will be considered at the annual meeting of the Board of License Commissioners for License District No. 1 to be held at Edmonton, Saturday, the 22nd day of May, 1909, at 1 o'clock a.m.

Alexander Widman, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Saskatchewan Hotel, situate on river lot 18, of the settlement of Lamoureux.

Wallace Noyes, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Noyes Hotel, situate on the northwest quarter section 2, township 55, range 1, W. 5 M. Noyes Crossing.

A. McMillan, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Halfway House, situate on one acre of the north east quarter of section 6, township 54, range 23, W. 1 M. Horse Hills.

William Hergott, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Alberta Hotel, situate on lot 56, plan VIII, Morinville.

Kipp and Gills, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Victoria Hotel, situate on lot 11, as shown on the plan of the Village of Morinville, as plan VIII, Morinville.

Carl Gitzel, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Morinville Hotel, situate on lot 1, block 1, plan VIII, Morinville.

Joseph McGillis, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Ray Hotel, situate on the north west quarter section 34, township 54, range 28, W. 1 M., Ray.

Wilfrid Fortin, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the St. Emile Hotel, situate on the south west quarter of section 25, township 55, range 25, W. 1 M., Riviere Qui Barre.

J. E. Laurencelle, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Royal Hotel, situate on lot 6, block 4, in the village of Spruce Grove Centre.

John McManara, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Shamrock Hotel, situate on the northwest quarter section 20, township 55, range 25, W. 1 M., Riviere Qui Barre.

N. Asselin for renewal of hotel license in respect of the St. Albert Hotel, situate on lots 34, 35, block 5, plan of St. Albert.

Lucien Boudreau, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Aspin Hotel, situate on lots 34, 35, block 5, plan of St. Albert.

William H. Connor, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Bismarck Hotel, situate on lots 1 and 2, block 2, in the village of Stony Plain.

Ronald A. Chisholm, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Hotel Ste. Anne, situate on lot 7, Lac Ste. Anne settlement.

Mastri Bertrand, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Grand Union Hotel, situate on lot 12, in block 1, H.R.R. in the village of Athabasca Landing.

Frank Thill, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Royal Hotel, situate on lots 5, 6, and 7, block 2, Stony Plain.

Murphy and Ryan, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Transit Hotel, situate on lot 39, block 2, being sub-division of part of S.W. quarter section 23 53-24, W. 4 M., in the Province of Alberta.

Bonnie St. Germain, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Farmers' Hotel, situate on S.E. quarter of section 30-55-26, W. 4 M., Riviere Qui Barre.

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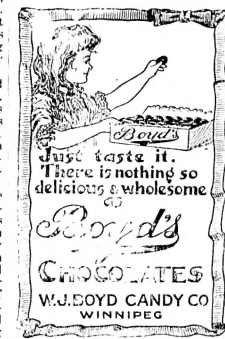
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## The Mirror.

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thus indicated. When a play is produced that deals with a dark side of life but deals with it in a serious and dignified manner, there are things to be said on either side of the controversy that ought to be listened to with open mind by every body who is interested in the stage and its work; but there is another form of dramatic entertainment which is not and does not pretend to be serious and which frequently touches upon ground that ought to be forbidden, even if it is not. Upon this subject, there is ground for honest difference of opinion. Only one verdict can be pronounced upon this sort of thing by any decent person.

The sort of entertainment that permits unanimous condemnation is the sort that makes a jest of the relations between the sexes and sees in the quickness of marital fidelity and personal chastity nothing but so many more opportunities to raise laughs and stimulate lascivious curiosity. We have suffered from a long, long line of these barbarities. The older form that the present generation remembers invariably dealt with the middle aged married man who sets out to have a high old time with the girls because his wife was away from home. No respectable person would tolerate the accounts of such a character in real life, nor would the thought of such a person be thought anything but disgusting; yet the playwright always liked to laugh at them in the theatre.

What's the use of listening to hum-bum on such a subject anyway. To say "A spade is a spade" is not and never was immoral, but some one asks you what is a spade and you reply "Oh, now really you mustn't ask me such questions you really mustn't. No, upon my word I really couldn't think of talking about it. It isn't a proper subject, you know, to speak of in public. It's a thing we don't talk about. In fact, it's quite too really awfully improper if you say this or something like it and at the same time regard your interrogator with a shocked little move and a lift of your eyes, then you are immoral and ought to be separated from the truly virtuous. At the very least you should be labelled "dangerous," so that those who run may read.

Two friends happened to meet on Jasper Avenue on a recent stormy morning. "Well, how do you like this weather?" asked one, almost out of breath. "Oh, horrible! How's your wife?" gasped the other. "Oh, just about the same!" was the reply, as a gust of wind sent his umbrella flying down the street.

The most appreciative and representative audience I have yet seen in Edmonton foregathered at the Marie Hall Concert recital on Friday evening, and listened to a magical programme, rendered so far as the public were concerned by two great artists, Miss Marie Hall and that other wonderfully gifted girl, Miss Louise Hasche. There was a certain Mr. Bealey, but Mr. Bealey wasn't in it, to be perfectly candid, and has evidently slipped his clues. At the Orpheum his voice might please by its gentility, but when he asked "Why do the nations rage?" etc., etc., he might have found his answer in the faces before him. Nations and men thunder and furiously rage together, because Mr. Bealey's obtrude on the stage, where world-issues await their cue from the cant-box.

But Miss Marie Hall and Miss Louise Hasche are an entirely different story. There are some occasions in life that are so rare, so exquisitely delightful that they stand out as things set apart. Such an evening as that of Friday, when the raving of the hideous nightmare of a curtain revealed to us the willowy, ethereal figure of a young girl with an ordinary looking fiddle tucked under her arm, was one of these.

So this—this fragile girl in the quiet, simple gown, exquisite only in its simplicity, thoughtful brow, eyes, and softly arranged, but the fashionable coiffure, this was how great Marie Hall! How frail, un-normally tired and infinitely sad her face? what a curious detachment was there in the way she talked and assumed all interest in the common trivialities of life. Studying her face came on the instant a mental portrait of a miserable, hungry little girl, fiddling in the street corner in the great wonderful city of London. Throughout the entire evening the impression remained, stubbornly undisturbed, of Marie Hall. The successful world-famous artist, has not yet lost the air of hunger and pathos she must have worn, when she earned her bread by playing the fiddle of those pitifully thin looking fingers and the genius that cried out with every note of the music that was in her.

Jovously, dreamily, now pensively, now tumultuously, she carried us along, forgotten were the meagre stage settings, almost the artist herself, interior and of thoughts and aspirations her God-inspired music conjured up. In all my life I can remember nothing that can compare with the heavenliness of the experience.

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## Early Days in the Canadian North-West

Some interesting and inspiring reminiscences related at the banquet of the Old Timers' Association of Manitoba held in Winnipeg recently.

There was an historic banquet at the Royal Alexandra, Winnipeg, the other night when the Old Timers' Association of Manitoba, to the number of 300 listened to history from the lips of the men who made it.

One of the notable orations of the evening was that of Col. S. R. Steele, C.M.G., V.O., who responding to the toast of the Army and Navy, remarked that the occasion was the first on which he had been at a place where an Old Timer's dinner was being held, although he arrived in the country in 1870. There was not much to be said of the army and navy, in fact anything else, that the old timers did not know, but he would tell them a few incidents of the Red River expedition. The force consisted of three battalions: the 60th Battalion, the Ontario and Quebec battalions and a small detachment of artillery, with four brass twelve pounders, which threw seventy double shells, as the occasion demanded. The men for the Canadian battalions had been very carefully selected, and had to pass the strictest medical examination that was ever conducted. Sometimes a hundred offered themselves before four or five were selected, everyone was so anxious to go.

The journey was made through a wilderness from the head of Lake Superior to the Red River. Hudson's Bay men and a few early explorers had been over the route in canoes, but for this expedition larger boats and larger quantities of supplies were transported than ever before. The expedition consisted of a little over 1,000 men, and had 150 boats.

The difficulties of the way were many. There were forty-seven portages between the spot where Port Arthur now stands and Lake Winnipeg, and the men had all kinds of experiences. For boatmen they had Iroquois Indians, and to these men Col. Steele gave the palm as the best boatmen that he ever saw. The first part of the journey they tracked the boats up stream, then up all the banks with the tump lines, and all day the boats were racing. Reaching the Winnipeg river they came down stream to Lake Winnipeg, and many were the exciting times they had shooting the rapids of that magnificent stream. It was his duty as a private soldier to pull stroke oar in one of the boats. One day the stroke oar broke and the boat was thrown into the middle of the stream, where the waves ran high and whirlpools threatened them with destruction. Capt. McMillan, now Sir Daniel, tried to hold the broken oar in the rowlocks, but they could not row. An old Iroquois, called "Big Mike," was at the bow oar, and he stood up in the boat with his single oar and by himself brought them to shore alive a mile and a half below. (Applause.) The sight of that old Indian, sixty-five years of age, with his long hair streaming in the wind and his eyes glittering as he handled the oar, was a spectacle to behold.

Col. Steele paid a glowing tribute to the men who took part in the expedition, they were, he said, the most stalwart men he ever saw, and as good as they were stalwart.

IN A TIGHT PLACE.

There was an impression that officers did not work, but his experience was that when the tight place came the officers were always in the tight place. The first man to take hold of a barrel of pork was Col. McLeod. These barrels of pork weighed 200 lbs., and Col. McLeod carried that one two miles. Speaking of portages, Col. Steele said they all carried 200 lbs., and though no one would believe him there was a man in No. 7 company, Dan Brown, who packed 468 lbs. across Rat Portage. He carried two barrels of pork, and 1,000 rounds of Snider ammunition. There was an Iroquois who did the same, but for the most of them 200 lbs. was enough.

The speaker told many other stories of the adventures and achievements of the members of the expedition, and said that those who settled in the country did a great deal towards making it what we call today the private soldier and his captain were side by side in their efforts to make this a great country and a great deal of credit was due to them.

## THE OLD GOVERNOR.

Another notable address came from Hon. David Laird, who spoke of the Northwest Territories. This white-haired veteran who was Hon. Alexander Mackenzie's Minister of the Interior, was given a rousing reception. He first came to the Red River country in 1871. In the previous year by one of those turns of the political wheel he happened to be made a member of the Cabinet at Ottawa, as Minister of the Interior and Superintendent of Indian Affairs. He determined that he would see the interior and the Indians. On that trip he made the first treaty with Indians in the Northwest Territories, at Fort Qu'Appelle. Winnipeg was then a small town of only 2,000 people, and as far as he remembered there were only three brick build-

ings—the customs house, and Dr. Schultz's residence. As he and his party went west they saw a good many prairie schooners on the road; there was a march even then westward. W. J. McLeod and Archibald Mackenzie, one of the grand old timers of the country, were at Fort Qu'Appelle and helped materially in making the treaty, which was accomplished satisfactorily.

## THE FIRST COUNCIL.

In 1876 he came back to the country as lieutenant-governor of the Northwest Territories. In October he went westward, accompanied by Col. Richardson and Mr. Forget, his secretary (now lieutenant-governor of Saskatchewan) and the members of the Northwest council wintered at Swain River, where they held the first meeting of the council. The council, said Mr. Laird, was a nominated body, and it could not undertake to legislate for the country with all the trials of a representative government. It had other sessions at Battleford in 1878, 1879 and 1881, making four sessions altogether. In 1880 there was an election. There was a population of about 1,000 adults in a territory of 1,000,000 miles, and the settlers of Prince Albert and the half-breeds at Battleford were allowed to elect a representative, then, Lawrence Clarke. The laws passed by the council were called ordinances, and dealt with the administration of justice, the registration of deeds, the marriage laws and other matters necessary for the organization of a representative government. This method of governing was followed until the establishment of the Northwest assembly, which was a representative body.

Legislation, however, was a very small part of the work of the members of the council. When he went into the country a few years after the Red River expedition the excitement of the first rebellion was all through the country, and there was a great dissatisfaction, especially among the French half-breeds. One of his greatest duties was therefore to secure the good will of the people of the country and to satisfy them with British institutions and with the government of the Canadian people. They thought that the representatives of the government were come to take the country from them so they were not made very welcome. The first summer he was in the country he went across from Battleford to Fort Macleod with Col. Irvine and made a treaty with the Blackfoot Indians.

## HAD THE CONFIDENCE OF THE INDIANS.

At Fort Carlton, where the Indian chief refused to make treaty and some of his men seized the bridle of his horse, Gabriel Dumont, Louis Riel's lieutenant later, sprang forward and pushed them away, and many times the natives had shown that they had the greatest confidence in him. He left the country in December, 1881, at a time when the country passed through the most trying time that had ever been experienced. The disappearance of the buffalo had been the cause of much want, and the people had suffered from lack of the necessities of life. But still it was four years and four months after he left before the fight at Duck Lake. It was nothing that the government did that caused the rebellion. The Mounted Rifles did a great deal of good throughout the country. They were a splendid force, and yet somehow, although both they and the clergy were in the country, the rebellion broke out in 1885. That showed that there was something more needed to preserve the peace than those institutions. The influence was needed of a man on whom they could rely.

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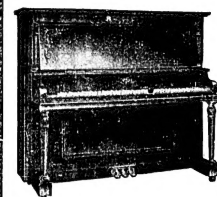
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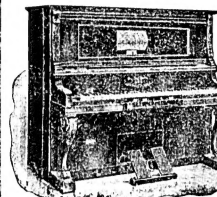
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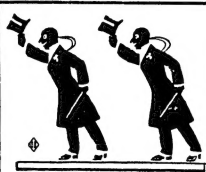
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Had we been asked whether as good a show could have been carried out in the way it was in Alberta, at its present stage, we should promptly have said "No."

This show was splendidly conceived along the best lines and carried out in detail to a pitch that reflects the greatest credit upon all concerned. The programme was a very ambitious one but did not fall down in any particular that we could note as regards execution. Of course there were some contretemps, as there must be at any show, but these were perhaps not as numerous as usual.

Being a comparative stranger to all concerned, and intimate with none, the writer proposed to discuss this show as he saw it, being perhaps at the present time in the most enviable position and one that he may not attain to again, viz., that of not being biased or prejudiced as to any animal or individual owner.

A great compliment was paid to Alberta, and the Calgary Horse Show in particular, when so many men of note from other parts paid a visit to the show and the leading members of our own Government put an appearance. These whom we may say were particularly noticeable were Lieutenant-Governor Bulyea, Hon. A. C. Rutherford, Mayor Douglas and Mrs. Douglas of Vancouver, Hon. W. P. Finlay, Minister of Agriculture, Professor W. J. Black, Principal of the Manitoba Agricultural College, who was judging light horses, Professor Rutherford, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, for Saskatchewan, who was judging heavy horses, Geo. Hargrave, Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Alberta, Mayor Jamieson of Calgary, Geo. H. Gregg of Winnipeg, Dominion Live Stock Commissioner, W. H. Stevens, Provincial Live Stock Commissioner and H. S. Craig Superintendent of Fairs and Institutes. Of course the names of those prominent in horsemanship and their aid to come not being able to stay at home.

One feature particularly worth noting, especially at the Victoria Park, was that to come not being able to stay at home. One feature particularly worth noting, especially at the Victoria Park, was that to come not being able to stay at home. One feature particularly worth noting, especially at the Victoria Park, was that to come not being able to stay at home.

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Among the many who occupied boxes and seats in the reserved section were noticed:

Lieut.-Governor Bulyea, Hon. W. P. Finlay, Mayor and Mrs. Douglas, Senator and Mrs. Loughheed, Dr. and Mrs. MacKidd, Mr. and Mrs. Burns, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Van Wart, Mr. and Mrs. Roper Hull, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Grogan, Dr. and Mrs. Egbert, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. James, Mr. and Mrs. G. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Macdonald, Lieutenant and Mrs. Meiklejohn, Mr. and Mrs. Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Young, Mr. and Mrs. A. Young, Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Ruttle, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Darker, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Johnson, Ald. and Mrs. Graves, Ald. and Mrs. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Richardson, Ald. and Mrs. Green, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Newburn, Mr. and Mrs. Thornburn Allan, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Goddard, Mr. and Mrs. Miss Berkenshaw, Mr. and Mrs. R. Atkinson, Mr. Stirtet, Mrs. J. Reilly, Mr. Booth, the Misses Myers, Lee, Sparrow, Ellis, Pearce, Ruttle, McEwan, Lawrie, and Messrs W. J. Watson, G. McWhir, Ald. Reilly, Dr. S. MacKidd, Dr. McLaren, Clarence Loughheed, Wm. Todd, J. L. Peet, J. Lee Johnston, Capt. Woolley-Dod, J. Burns, Lieut. Bruce and Bryce Wright, etc.

The best of the floor was given up to the judging ring in which the horses were judged and judged, were driven or ridden as the exigencies of the case required or

tumbled over as accidents permitted. When it is stated that this huge floor space was refloored for the occasion and net worked with rubber strips to keep horses from slipping, then covered with six to eight inches of sawdust and short hay some tithing of the trouble and expense entailed may be estimated. But, we are happy to say, a great deal of this expense was covered by the sale of boxes or seats, by private subscriptions and Government aid before the show opened.

On arrival on the first night we took in the situation, rubbed our eyes and then dreamed we were at Olympia or a lesser Madison Square Garden. All was ready for business, Inspector Shaw, R.N.W.M.P. in full uniform was ring master, near each side were two semi-circles of brush hurdles, the ends of the semi-circles pointing towards each other. In each of these bowers was stationed a Mounted Policeman on his horse in uniform. In the centre was the police bugler in scarlet, the latter blowing the calls for the commencement and for the advent of each class. In a gallery above was the band. Will anyone deny the fact that we are arriving.

ALL VARIETIES REQUIRED. One of the great features of the show was the number of varieties on hand which is an absolute necessity from the point of view of interest to the public that has to be attracted by all sorts and descriptions, and that usually takes the greatest interest in the spectacular part, the quality and the get-up, for the public in most cases judges not so much of bone and sinew, feet and legs, ribs or quarters but knows what it likes and what it came out into the wilderness for to see.

THOROUGHBREDS.

Not to weary the reader too much with the frills and leaving the goings to the society reporter we must now consider the horses. Thoroughbreds, on the whole, were not quite as well represented as we should like, but they seldom are at a horse show.

CLYDES.

The Clydes are a heavy proposition to tackle and classes are keenly contested. The gold medal for best Clydesdale stallion went to Etanion, with Masterpiece second. Etanion was owned by Mr. A. Turner and Masterpiece by Mr. Bryce Wright.

Clydesdale mares were not so very numerous. In the two year old filly class May Steel won for Mr. Turner, that when filled out should make a strong exhibit. In mares three years or over Rosie McLaren by Royal Favorite won, owned by Mr. J. A. Turner, a short legged mare powerful man than the second, Sweet Barlae by Baron's Gem, owned by Mr. Bryce Wright. This is a high quality mare that will be harder to beat than has hit however. The third, Hogdovie Queen by Consort, is a drafty four year old.

SHIRES.

Only three stallions came forward and one, a very good horse, Holt King, owned by A. Landis, Nantah was late for the judging. Two completed, both shown by John Lee of High River. The first, a black four year old, is a short legged very solid horse named Turntree Swep. The second, Turntree Juvenal, is a big horse for his age, four years old, as long as body and not yet as much made up.

PERCHERONS.

These mustered well and are ever on the increase. Some smart gregs were brought out on the ground, not entered for competition, but just the sort that will suit many a Westerner. We have had the Percheron with us so long in the West and there is so much of this blood in many of our range stock which have been tried so many times and oft that it has come to stay. The Percheron is so strongly entrenched in the hearts of many of our American riders that he must be reckoned with as a fixed quantity. The mares were not numerous, but two shown by Mr. Geo. Lane of Belknap were very refreshing to look upon and very first and second, viz., Pantomine and Mauvette. The third, Mariee Briette, shown by Mr. J. Wigle of Calgary was a nice one.

In three year old stallions a very good horse in Gournay was shown by Geo. Lane, just the right sort but stiff from a long journey on steamer and train. For the four year old and over class Epifant won again for Mr. Lane, with Mr. Wigle's Takeen second and Grison third.

BELGIANS.

These fare a taking breed of medium proportions, neat, natty and compact, and, like the Percheron, have the reputation of maturing early and growing quickly into money. A nice pair of mares Liza II and Bellone were alone in their class shown, by Mr. R. Premez of Calgary, and there was one good filly

foal of 1908. Two stallions put in an appearance, Pompon and Major II De Tiermes. The first a robust, blocky horse with good action, great top, neat head and good qualities. SUFFOLK PUNCH.

This breed made about the most uniform and brilliant showing of any breed on the ground, and it was remarked by several, that had not seen them in force before, that their uniformity was wonderful for any two could have been taken haphazard and would make a team. The photographers had a field day with these as they were beautifully turned out, well handled and well broken. Two nice mares, shown by Mr. Archie Jacques of Lamerton were alone, Eruantun Sunbeam and Sadobourne Alice in beautiful condition.

In the class for three year old stallions there were six, a very symmetrical, even lot, the non-horseman or average observer, could not possibly tell one from the other. Benedict was the winner, a high quality horse, better on his pins and a good mover. Donesham Major was second, and Bendlesham Matshem a very big, powerful horse, third. In the older stallions six put in an appearance, and at a first casual glance, such was the fair likeness that they might have been mistaken for the previous class. A pretty goer in Sproughton Marquis was the owner and Bendlesham May King second.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Three quick lively teams showed up in the ring on Tuesday in the class for trotting mares or geldings. Dime and Penny won for Mr. Chas. Riddick of Calgary, with Doc and Robbin, owner of J. H. Wetmore, second; Ravale and Ravallies, Thos. McMillan, Okotoks, came third. A pair of mares, Queen and Fred, shown by G. Ruttle and Co., Calgary, made a very favorable impression on the by-standers. A big pair of up-standing bays were alone in a class for non-residents of Calgary, shown by Thos. McMillan, Okotoks.

Carriage Horses. — These produced a capital pair of carriage horses, Dan and Silver, shown by Mr. C. E. Goddard, Cochrane. Home bred ones these are a great credit to their owner and breeder; they won easily the second prize-winners John and Browney, exhibitor P. Burns, are good but not strictly what we consider stand as carriage horses in comparison to the first two which were turned out as they should be by a man that knows, turn out, rig and appointments suitable and correct for the ring. The third was a good trotting bred team, but, as the class is called for carriage horses, they were out of their class. Nelson and Comox, two well-known highsteppers, were well turned out in an appropriate vehicle, and all in harmony, but the off horse was stale and in condition, so pulled his mate back.

On Wednesday night the near side horse in the last pair mentioned, Comox, shown singly to a neat cart won nicely in a big class of single horses driven by a lady, his owner, Mrs. Van Wart. The second Billy, D. J. McCutcheon, is a good horse more of hunter type. The third, Flossy, J. A. Turner, is a neat cobby sort. In the class for highsteppers Comox won again for Mrs. Van Wart, rightly placed, as he made the best showing in a class to which he fitted by right. The second, Gay Boy by Commodore, shown by R. J. Scott, Lacombe, is a very nice horse and a good trotter that goes howling along with good action, a horse one would like to own. The third, Silver, one of Mr. Goddard's good coach horses, was very well shown in a neat dog cart and is a sterling good horse but not a flashy high stepper as this class would seem to require. Dan and Silver won on Monday in the park as a team of drivers.

Tandems. — Dan and Silver here again won for Mr. Goddard, the turn-out, harness, cart, etc., all being correct and very neat, the right team in the right place though we should like the leader better if he ran up into his collar harder. Still the rink was small, and probably, his driver did not wish to push him. Nig and Prince, shown to a low four-wheeler were good horses, well handled but the turn-out was not nearly so orthodox.

The best decorated turn-out produced three entries, two of which, range stock which have been tried so many times and oft that it has come to stay. The Percheron is so strongly entrenched in the hearts of many of our American riders that he must be reckoned with as a fixed quantity. The mares were not numerous, but two shown by Mr. Geo. Lane of Belknap were very refreshing to look upon and very first and second, viz., Pantomine and Mauvette. The third, Mariee Briette, shown by Mr. J. Wigle of Calgary was a nice one.

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## Alberta Provincial Horse Show

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horse. This exhibit appealed to the reason and the senses.

The class of drafters and grades shown in harness were very strong all through. On Tuesday Messrs J. Hallman and Sons, Airdrie, won in the four horse team to weigh 1300 lbs and over with a very good team. In the park the same firm won with a sturdy, compact pair of bay mares, Minnie and Maud, with Brownie and Bob, Calgary Fire Department, second, lighter in bone but well shown. The third, a neat team of Percherons, owned by E. J. Wigle, beautifully together and good goers.

Mare or gelding 1500 lbs or over. Fanny won. The Hallman and Sons, a good, solid sturdy sort. The second Bob, a draft horse and a good goer was just as good, some thought better, but both good enough for anyone.

Peter, a grey, Pacific Cartage Co., a sterling big horse a bit long cast but shown in working condition with a flat bone and sound as a dollar, was third. Mare or gelding 1500 lbs, but not less than 1300.—First Rosalind, Hallman and Sons, Airdrie, won again, of a good solid draft type and most symmetrical. The second was Rowdy, W. Stuart and Co., Calgary, with Mary, shown by F. W. Ings, Calgary, third, good short legs, good body and lots of bone. Fanny and Bob won again for Hallman and Sons in the class for a pair of grade horses, mares or geldings four years old and not over, with Nell I and Queenie I, exhibitors McPherson Bros., Calgary, both good. In the class for heavy draught grade mare or gelding Fanny was first and Bob second, Peter again was third.

Team as used by Cartage Company or Corporation.—This produced a great class of twelve teams shown in the ring on Wednesday night. The winners were Peter and Bob, grey and roan geldings, big, sound useful horses in working condition. The second Bess and Ann, brown mares, were good, also owned by the Pacific Cartage Co., that had seven teams in the ring. The third prize went to the Pacific Cartage Co. with a symmetrical pair of blacks. A beautiful team of grey percherons was fourth for P. Burns and Co., and it looked to a casual observer as if this team might have gone higher. A very fine team of bays was shown by the city of Calgary that they thought were going to win, but, as our think does not count on this occasion, they did not. Two fine four horse teams were turned out by Hallman and Sons and Pacific Cartage Co.

General City Deliveries.—This was one of the star classes of the show and certainly as a display one of the best we ever saw anywhere. The entry of nineteen was so large and the variety so great that the class had to be divided into the light and heavies. The class called for mare or gelding shown to express or delivery rig, horses to count 60 per cent and appointments 40 per cent (this might have been made 50 per cent each). The outfits came into the ring beautifully turned out, each more or less appropriate according to the individual business followed, viz., grocery wagons, laundry rigs, delivery rigs, or all sorts, etc., etc. The harness, clean the horses, well turned out, drivers all spic and span to a degree hard to conceive, wagons all freshly painted in bright colors. Oh! what a harvest the carriage painters must have reaped. The whole class looked more like a highly colored supplementary picture to an Xmas number than a class at a horse show. There was but one opinion, viz., that it was great. In the heavy division Rowdy won for Stuart and Co., Calgary, a fine horse well shown and a great goer, but, not to our opinion, filling the conditions of the class, for he was a big horse, it also stating on his harness Stuart Lumber Co., yet he was hitched to a light delivery wagon of the grocery type. The second was P. Burns and Co. The horse was not as fascinating as the first but the rig was a dream, a dog-cart with bright red body, gold lettering, yellow wheels and the driver in spotless white, fitting absolutely the conditions of the class. Third, the Hudson's Bay Co., a capital turn out. In the light division the winner, Donald, shown by the Ontario Laundry Co., made part of an outfit hard to beat as a typical delivery outfit. The horse was the right size, a good straight, lively goer, the wagon neat and good, so the whole exhibit was well balanced. But why this was a light and some of the others heavies is hard to comprehend. The second was a P. Burns rig, similar to the first and just as smart with a roan horse instead of a sorrel. The third, Linton, and Hall, was also very good. There was not a poor exhibit in the bunch and all deserve credit. The whole class might have been very highly commended. These classes are on the Metropolitan order and should be judged on those lines with not too much given to the horse if he is good enough.

Saddle Horses were an interesting group, but, in places, we thought not so happily judged as some other classes. Not that the good horses did not get to the front, but simply that the quality of the horse sometimes ran away with the judge so that he seemed to somewhat pass the conditions of the class. Polo ponies, light weight.—In a big

class Mrs. Pomerey, Priddis, won with a very pretty bay. The second, Molly, is owned by Inspector Shaw and the third Dandy by M. J. Carr, Calgary. Eighteen were entered and they were a great lot, still, on the whole, it appeared that the heavy weight ponies were still better. Billy, W. G. Hooley, a capital pony won, with Modesty, M. J. Carr, second, and a smart bay, Pretty, owned by K. J. Snowden, Pekisko, third. Two Shetlands were exhibited, one by G. Rottle and Co., Calgary, and the other by C. E. Tillotson, Claresholm. One was very small. Mr. Tillotson's pony won over the others, both ridden by little girls.

Mare or Gelding 15 1-2 hands or over, shown under saddle, was a big class. The winner Fride, a sorrel, is well known, a light weight horse well bred and stylish but is not as ideal in type as Peacock, a bay shown by P. Burns and a show horse from end to end. Whistler, C. E. Goddard, third, is a good horse for a heavy weight, a hard horse to produce as good as this, temperate with good manners and evidently a nice horse to ride. He might have won for though the second is very good he did not perform as well. The fourth, Rosette, G. de Roulides and H. Dubern, is another good one, a bay, temperate and a nice mover. There were others in this big class good enough for most of us.

In Ladies Saddle horse 14 2 or over the sorrel Fride, D. P. McDonald, Cochrane, was returned as winner, hardly filling the bill as the class called for consideration of gaits—walk, trot and canter. His walk was fair, his trot poor and canter at first unsteady. The second, Peacock, as we said before, a show horse from end to end was hard to handle, and as above himself. The third, John, is smart to look at but his gaits, especially trotting, were not well developed and he was excited. As a finished performance of a pleasant mount Gee-Ge, a grey, owner E. Lecoeq MacBride, Millarville, never made a skip or a break, and, though no perhaps the handsomest horse in the ring was good enough to win consideration under conditions required. Another good one well handled was Foz, a roan, same owner. A smart pony Brownie, Mr. E. A. Atkinson, made good as a saddle pony with manners. Manners and performance we suggest might have counted higher in this class and some others. In the light weight hunter class over 14 2—Pride again won. In his right place here, well ridden and a very smart horse. Peacock, second, got too close to the fences, and did not perform over the jumps as cleanly as the first. Many good records were made over the jumps for this was a large and good class of nineteen. The light was not any too good for the jumping. The winners in the hunter class under 14 2 on Wednesday also performed well. They were placed, Goldie, D. P. McDonald, a sorrel, first, Maximus second, and Pomerey third. When the next class came on confined to mare or gelding 14 2 and under, to be owned by a member of the Calgary Hunt Club, Modesty, won for M. J. Carr with Bullion, A. M. McKay second and Goldie third.

This show was so good and there was so much to see that it was rather too much for one reporter to do justice to in the time. Still we can but reiterate that though we may criticize in places it was a grand show, and splendidly conceived and worked out, so marks a real lettered fixture in the progress of Alberta and was worth going many miles to see and would not have been missed by any one that could get there. This show marks an era in our history and we can but say "well done, management, exhibition, helpers," etc., etc.

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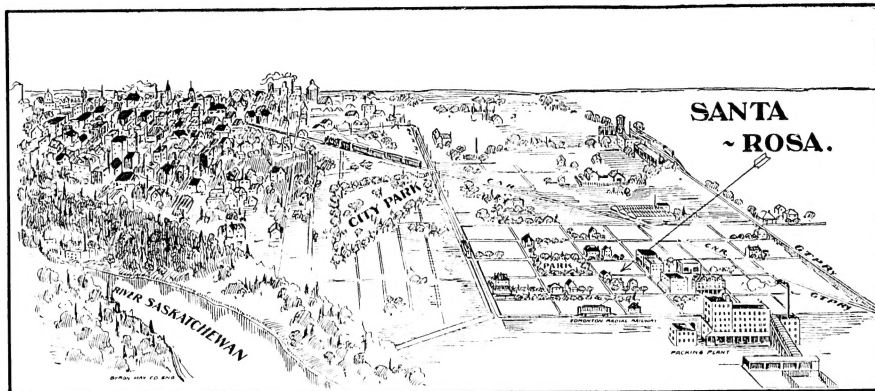
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### Home and Society.

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And worthy associate of such a genius, who will not look back on Miss Louie Baeshe and her playing, with a delight that must ever grow greater and greater as the years go by. Pianists, to be quite candid, more often have than please, for there is something about piano-playing that lends itself to being mechanical. But interpreted with soul, what instrument so lends itself to the riot of human emotions? I have heard many artists in my day but I can safely state none who were worthy to hold a candle to this girl, whose name up until Friday evening was utterly unknown to me. Her solos and accompaniment were alike perfect a very revelation of the possibilities of the king of instruments.

Among an exceptionally fine audience I noticed: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mowat, Mr. and Mrs. Swainsland, Mrs. Horner Harvey and her son, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfrid Harrison and Mrs. Mays, Dr. and Mrs. Harwood, Mrs. Slocock, Miss Wheat and Mr. Ross Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hyndman, Mr. and Mrs. Charlesworth, Dr. and Mrs. Cobbett and the Miss Cobbett, Mr. and Mrs. Harwood and Mrs. Benson of Wetaskiwin, Dr. Wells, Dr. and Mrs. Revell, the Messrs Webster, Miss Jean Forsythe, Dr. and Mrs. Blais, Mr. and Mrs. John McIntosh, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. F. Jackson, Dr. and Mrs. McLean, Mr. Duncan Marshall and Miss McIsaac, and others too numerous to mention.

### HOME AND SOCIETY

To London Town from Babylon The payment of the world goes by For you, for you, I pause and con- A Stander-By

Miss Winifred McDonald of Winnipeg has been the guest, for the past few days, of Mrs. J. J. Anderson. Last week Mrs. J. D. Hyndman had a jolly bridge in her honor when a number of the younger set were the fortunate invitees.

I saw Mrs. Norquay on the street one day this week, so presume she is in Edmonton visiting her father. Senator Roy is expected home from his trip abroad this week.

Miss Madalene Graves' marriage to Mr. Hector Landry has been set for June 8th, and will be a very quiet affair, no invitations being issued. The honeymoon will include a visit to New Brunswick to Mr. Landry's parental home, and also a week or more at the Seattle Fair.

On their return to town they will take up their residence on Fifth street where Mr. Landry has provided a charming little home for his bride-to-be.

Mrs. Ewing is on a visit to Calgary and will probably be away for two weeks or more.

This Friday, April 16th, Mrs. Harwood and Mrs. Osborne are giving a Bridge and dance at Mrs. Harwood's residence, Victoria Ave., to raise funds for their booth at the Hospital Fair.

Miss Henderson of Sixth street was the hostess of a very pretty and merry Bal Poudre on Thursday evening.

As will be seen there has been quite a preceptible flutter in social circles during the past few days, and rumors of bridges and teas and affairs galore are beginning to cause a ripple of interest. Even so early there is already talk of flittings to summer homes, and if half the people carry out their intentions, Edmonton will be rather deserted during the warm months.

There seems to be a vast amount of interest being taken in tennis this season, and judging from stray gossip it will be the game of games for many.

Mr. and Mrs. Lister have moved from Thirteenth street to just below the hill on Fifth street.

Miss Constance Rhodes' marriage to Mr. Wm. Lyons will take place on April 21st, being celebrated very quietly in the morning in time for them to take the early C.P.R. train to the coast. On their return to town Mr. Lyons and his bride will reside on Third street.

Mrs. Mercer will hold her first post-nuptial reception on Friday, April 23rd, and has taken the first as her regular reception days in future.

Have you used the Holland Linen stationery? It is a high grade paper, but Littles are selling it for a few days at two quires for 25c.

The Westminster Church Young Ladies' Circle which have been training under Miss Bellamy's direction for their concert, April 20th, are completing their work with Miss Hicks of Alberta College, owing to Miss Bellamy's recent illness. Solos, readings, drills, and a comedia, "The Parliament of Servants" will be presented by the young ladies, who have been studying hard during the winter months to make this a success. The programme commences promptly at eight o'clock.

### MUSIC AND DRAMA

#### POPULAR STOCK COMPANY AGAIN THIS SUMMER.

Another important announcement is the coming of Mr. Theodore Lorch and his excellent company, who have been secured by Mr. Lee Brandon for his summer season at the Edmonton Opera House, starting Thursday, April 22nd, following the Roberts' engagement. Mr. Lorch is bringing a first class company and will produce some of the best successes at the popular summer prices. The opening play, "The Lieutenant and the Cowboy," is the one in which Mr. Lorch has just toured the States with, and a full scenic equipment is promised. Mr. Brandon assures us that the company is even better than the one he had in the Dominion last summer.

Long experience amid favorable surroundings, together with that natural ability without which no great artistic accomplishment is possible, has made of Florence Roberts a distinguished figure among American stage celebrities. Miss Roberts, who will appear at the Edmonton Opera House on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 20 and 21 as "Lady Joan" in "The House of Bondage," was born in New York, but was taken to the Pacific Coast when a mere child. It was in San Francisco that she made her stage debut, then in her seventeenth year, in the support of Lewis Morrison, to whom she was afterwards married. Later she supported William Gillette, Otis Skinner and Julia Marlowe, and then returned to her husband's company in the role of "Marguerite" in "Faust." Later she was chosen to head the Alcazar company in San Francisco, where she enacted a range of roles from Shakespeare to Charles Hoyt and always with superior artistry. She toured the country with Melbourne MacLellan in the Sardon repertoire, starred in "Zaza," "Du Barry," in "Tess of the D'Urbervilles," in "Marta of the Lowlands," and in "Ann Lee Mont," in which she was ably supported by Max Fegman. "The Strength of the Weak" was her next offering, followed by a New York star and it firmly established her as a metropolitan favorite. Therefore unknown, she won the praise of every newspaper in Gotham and her business doubled and tripled during the engagement. Despite her numerous successful impersonations, Miss Roberts declares that she has had nothing that suited her so well as her present role in "The House of Bondage."

How's the bill of fare at the Empire? I heard one man ask of

another, and after sitting through the program one doesn't wonder at the slang phrase—truly a bill of fare with a full course of "hash"—a bit of everything, dainty tit-bits and scraps, spicy maidens and stale jokes, which take on as a whole is palatable enough for the man whose vaudeville digestion hasn't over-spoiled by over-feeding. Reno and Azora comedy acrobats have their work down well, Azora particularly being in good shape.

Who talks of war with Germany when Anglo-Saxons good naturedly endure worn-out stunts of "German comedians"? We wonder if Kolba and Mullar and "Woman of Defense" are put on as Dolan's opportunity to crack jokes. Dolan at least has some virtue of originality and deserves credit as a "stopper."

The Salome contortions of the Masquerita Sisters show fine form and much white wear, so much so that the bald headed row doesn't care if they can't sing, and the picture effects thrown on by the kinestoscope turn a packing box stage into funny land and high kicking ballet girls to the beautiful maidens of our youthful dramas.

The Davises as crack shots certainly deserve the applause which greets their performance. Their trapeze trigger work making a great hit with the audience. Why is it we wonder that all illustrated songs have the same maudlin tune. So the audience can join in the chorus, one manager explained—a bit tough on the audience though.

One thing with another, the Empire is putting on a fair evening's entertainment, and its amusement were after when we go to a vaudeville show. All in all the pretty little theatre is righty delighting packed houses and may be fairly said to have caught the fancy of the Edmonton public.

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